

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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**Federal Highway Administration** 

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on 183 North Mobility Project, Travis and Williamson Counties, Texas

**AGENCY**: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. DOT.

**ACTION**: Notice of Limitation on Claims for Judicial Review of Actions by TxDOT and Federal Agencies.

SUMMARY: This notice announces actions taken by Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Federal agencies that are final within the meaning of 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). The actions relate to a proposed highway project, US 183 North (the "183 North Mobility Project") from State Highway (SH) 45/Ranch-to-Market (RM) 620 in Williamson County to State Loop 1 (MoPac) in Travis County in the State of Texas. Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the project.

**DATES**: By this notice, TxDOT is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before October 17, 2016. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

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agencies have taken final agency actions by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the following highway project in the State of Texas: the 183 North Mobility Project from State Highway (SH) 45/Ranch-to-Market (RM) 620 in Williamson County to State Loop 1 in (MoPac) in Travis County, Texas. The project will have two variable-priced (tolled) express lanes in each direction, an additional (fourth) general purpose lane (southbound from approximately Lake Creek Parkway to the entrance ramp from SH 45; southbound from north of McNeil Drive/Spicewood Springs Road to MoPac; and northbound between Braker Lane and McNeil Drive/Spicewood Springs Road) and direct connectors to and from SH 45/RM 620 on the north and MoPac on the south. Transitions between the improved section of US 183 and existing facilities will be provided along SH 45/RM 620, MoPac (south of RM 2222) and on US 183 north and south of the project areas. The length of the proposed project, including all transitions, is approximately 13 miles.

The actions by TxDOT and the Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Final Environmental Assessment (Final EA) for the project, approved in the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) issued on April 26, 2016, and in other documents in the TxDOT administrative record. The Final EA, FONSI,

and other documents in the administrative record file are available by contacting TxDOT at the address provided above. The Final EA and FONSI can be viewed on the project website at www.183north.com.

This notice applies to all TxDOT decisions and Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

- 1. General: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321-4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109].
- 2. Air: Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401-7671(q)].
- 3. Land: Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303]; Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers) [23 U.S.C. 319].
- 4. Wildlife: Endangered Species Act [16 U.S.C. 1531-1544 and Section 1536]; Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661-667(d)]; Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703-712].
- 5. Historic and Cultural Resources: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [16 U.S.C. 470(f) et seq.]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)-11]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 469-469(c)]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001-3013].
- 6. Social and Economic: Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000(d)-2000(d)(1)]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201-4209].
- 7. Wetlands and Water Resources: Clean Water Act [33 U.S.C. 1251-1377]; Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) [16 U.S.C. 4601-4604]; Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) [42 U.S.C. 300(f)-300(j)(6)]; Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 [33 U.S.C. 401-406]; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act [16 U.S.C. 1271-1287]; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act [16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931]; TEA-21 Wetlands Mitigation [23 U.S.C. 103(b)(6)(m), 133(b)(11)]; Flood Disaster Protection Act [42 U.S.C. 4001-4128].
- 8. Executive Orders: E.O. 11990, Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988, Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593, Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007, Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287, Preserve America; E.O. 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514, Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality;

E.O. 13112, Invasive Species; E.O. 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal

Programs.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal

environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT

pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16,

2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 139(1)(1).

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